

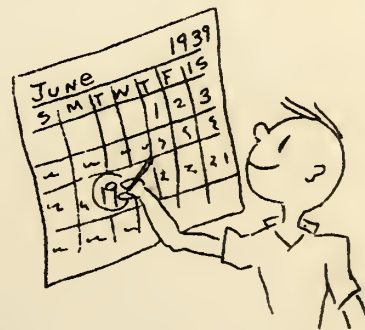
Official News-Letter of the Founder Younger Boys and Pre-Senior Camps  
Camp Miniwanca, Stony Lake, Michigan  
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HELLO, 1939 MINIWANCA CAMPERS!

Well, we're almost there. June 19 is just a few weeks away - and then, oh boy, what fun we're all going to have! 200 acres of perfect camping paradise ... watersports on three waterfronts ... hiking along the winding trails between the tall wooded ridges ... sleeping under the stars ... learning to shoot with bow and arrow and to cook your meals in the out-of-doors ... making all sorts of things in the Craft House ... fun around the campfire ... plays in the Little Theatre ... the Leaders' Frolic ... the big Fourth of July celebration ... keen competition in tribal games ... baseball, volleyball, paddle tennis, shuffleboard, pingpong, horseshoes, etc. ... fishing, boating, canoeing, sailing ... sunset vespers ... learning how to be an "all 'round" fellow and a leader. These are some of the big doings that await you at Camp Miniwanca. It is a friendly camp and one where you are sure to feel at home, as any old camper can tell you. The boys you will meet there are all fine fellows and good sports like you.





### THE LEADERS TOO

are a dandy bunch of college men. Every leader is right on his toes to help you get the most fun and greatest value from your camping experience. Some of these leaders are outstanding athletes and track men, and they will gladly show you how they do their track stuff. Other leaders are skilled in the art of swimming and sailing, archery and tennis, woodcraft, handcraft, scouting and campcraft, fencing and wrestling, and a great many other things. They will show you how to develop your skills in many of these attractive activities.

### SO, MINIWANCA CAMPERS OF 1939

both old and new - pack up that old kit bag and put on your biggest and broadest smile! Be sure to leave old man grouch behind, and come on to Miniwanca, on the 19th of June, for one of the finest camping experiences you have ever had - and you won't be disappointed.

### YOU OLD CAMPERS

do not need to bring your plaques along with you to camp this year. Instead, you will be given any plates you may have earned at the end of camp, and you may take them home to be attached to your plaques.

### THOSE OF YOU

who will be coming to Muskegon by train - we'll be sending your parents travel information within a couple of days. Joe Edwards is piloting the St. Louis group, and Barney Blakemore will be on hand to take charge from Chicago on to camp. We are changing the plan a bit this year, and will probably have you arrive by train in Muskegon on Sunday night, the 18th. In that case you will stay overnight in Muskegon, probably at the Occidental Hotel. May I just give you a little reminder in advance that Miniwanca campers are considerate of other travelers - on the trains and in the hotels. When you arrive in Muskegon please cooperate with Barney in every way. "Pipe down" and get a good night's sleep before traveling on to camp the next morning.

### YOUR GROUP ASSIGNMENT

will be given you the moment you arrive in camp. There will be four or five boys of your own age in your outfit. Each group will have one of the college men leaders for a chum and pal. Your leader will be at camp ready to greet you on your arrival. Several groups combined make up a tribe, as you old timers know. You will belong to one of these - Sands, Beaches, Creeks, Breakers, Winds, Lakes, Flames or Clouds. And when those tribes start competing against each other, oh boy!

### WHY TELL YOU MORE?

You'll find out all about it when you get to camp. So, pack up that duffle bag or steamer trunk or suitcase - bring along that comic costume if you have one, for the Campers' Frolic - don't forget your musical instrument if you play, even a mouth organ - and swing along with your camp pals for those happy days at Miniwanca.

We'll be seeing you on the 19th. 'Til then,

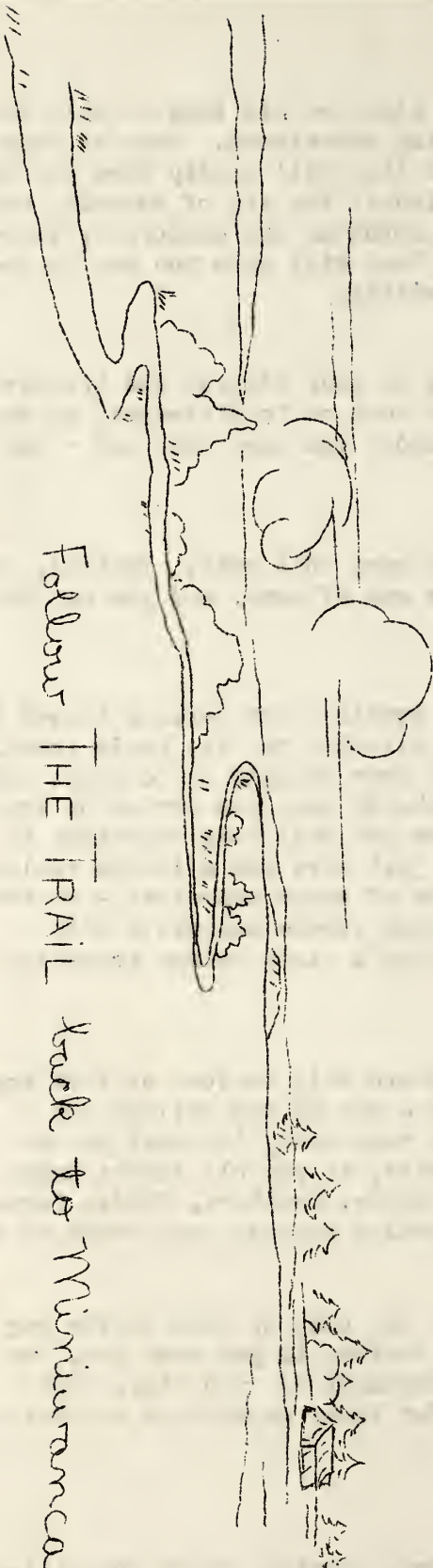
Sincerely and Miniwancally,

"Wadjepi" (P.G. Orwig) - Director, American Youth Foundation  
Howie Jones - Director of the Boys Camp  
Barney Blakemore - Associate Director of the Boys Camp  
And all your other leader friends.



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